

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-30 (Cancelled)

31. (currently amended) A[[n]] portable computing device including a selectively removable communication apparatus [[to]] provided input/output functionality in conjunction with ~~an off-the-shelf portable computing device, said apparatus~~ therewith comprising:

a portable computing device having a housing having at least one selectable docking port associated therewith, a selectively removable communication apparatus having at least two selectable docking ports such that the communication apparatus is capable of mechanically docking and ~~electronically~~ interfacing to [[a]] the portable computing device in at least two operable configurations relative to the portable computing device.

32. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 31, wherein the ~~input/output unit communication apparatus~~ is a cellular telephone, and is selectively docked to the portable computing device to provide communication capabilities ~~for the integrated system formed when docked therewith~~ in conjunction with the portable computing device.

33. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ includes a user interface keypad, a display, and a docking connector port for mating with ~~a standard electrical connector~~ the at least one docking port associated with the portable computing device.

34. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 31, wherein the ~~portable housing communication apparatus~~ includes an additional a keypad interface on both sides thereof, each of which [[is]] are individually accessible when docked to the portable computing device in at least one operable configuration.

35. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ is docked to the front of the portable computing device such

that a[[n]] ~~electrical~~ docking connector of the portable computing device mates with a docking connector on the ~~cellular-telephone~~ communication apparatus, with the front of the ~~cellular telephone~~ communication apparatus facing outward and the back of the ~~cellular-telephone~~ communication apparatus covering the ~~front~~ a display of the portable computing device to act as a lid for the portable computing device.

36. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein the ~~cellular telephone~~ communication apparatus is ~~fully~~ operational when docked to the portable computing device ~~or when undocked~~, and data may be exchanged between the portable computing device and the ~~cellular telephone via a docking connector~~ communication apparatus.

37. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein the ~~cellular telephone~~ communication apparatus includes a first side having at least a first interface keypad, a display and a first docking connector, and a back side having at least a second docking connector for mating with a[[n]] ~~electrical~~ connector associated with the portable computing device.

38. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 37, wherein the back side of the ~~cellular-telephone~~ communication apparatus further comprises a second keypad for data entry, wherein the ~~cellular-telephone~~ communication apparatus may be docked with its front side or back side facing the portable computing device.

39. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 38, wherein the first and second docking connectors allow the ~~cellular-telephone~~ communication apparatus to be coupled to the portable computing device in different orientations.

40. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 39, wherein one of the orientations is such that the front of the ~~cellular-telephone~~ communication apparatus covers the bottom portion of the front of the portable computing device, such that the display associated with the portable computing device is visible to [[the]] an user, and ~~the second a~~ keyboard associated with the ~~cellular-telephone~~ communication apparatus is accessible.